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## THE FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

# Pro-Castro Units Lure Some Students Here

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### Chapters at Roosevelt U., UC Make Small Splash

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The Fair Play for Cuba Committee boasts that it is spreading throughout the country's colleges, stirring up discussions and converting students to Fidel Castro's political philosophy.

Since its founding in April, 1960, the organization has claimed chapters at 40 to 50 campuses.

Among them are the University of Chicago and Roosevelt University.

Another chapter may be born soon at Northwestern University.

CHICAGO'S was one of the earliest chapters formed.

The chapter president now is Art McEwan, 19, of 6106 S. Ellis. A broad-shouldered lad built like a halfback.

He played basketball in high school in his native Portland, Ore.

Although the Fair Play movement is less than two years old, McEwan is al-

ready part of a "dynasty" of committee joiners.

"My brother Andy was the first to join, in Berkeley, Calif.," he said. "I think my mother was a member. I'm not sure about my father. He was interested but I don't think he paid dues."

HIS FATHER, a former professor of physiology at the University of Arizona, was fired recently as an "unsatisfactory" teacher, Art said.

But Art believes that his father's speeches favoring the Cuban revolution had something to do with his dismissal.

"The whole family went to



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Cuba as tourists in December, 1960," he said.

HE SAID he enlisted in the committee because the Castro regime was "portrayed badly in the United States."

"Nothing is heard about the benefits there," he said.

Art conceded that Castro's oppression of civil liberties was

wrong. "But what can you do with such internal and external tensions?" he asked.

"How can you forget what the CIA Central Intelligence Agency did?"

HE SAID Castro's declaration about "communism" for Cuba "doesn't destroy anything they've done so far."

"The only way to judge a society is not by labels but by looking inside and seeing what's done. And we can't go there," he said.

McEwan attended the World Youth Festival in Vienna in the summer of 1959.

"People will tell you it's Communist-sponsored. It isn't," he said. "There are Communists there, sure, but there are neutrals and others, too."

"Where else can you meet and sit down to talk with a Chinese? It's a chance to exchange political and cultural views."

He said his older brother, Andy, attended the youth festival in Moscow in 1957.

McEwan is a member of the executive council that gov-

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